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The Founder Fire



News and Views of the Founder Fellowship

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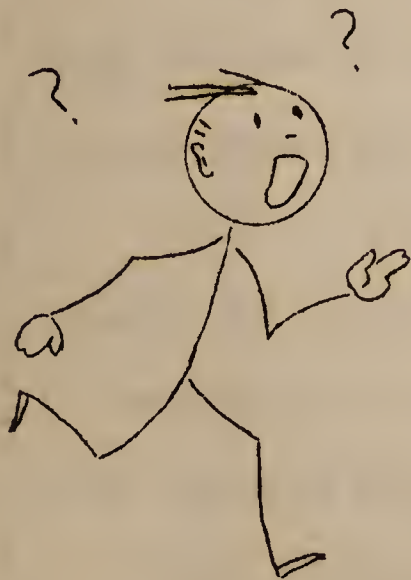
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THE MAGIC DATES

June 25 to July 9 Older Boys
July 9 to July 23 Older Girls

Before we know it, we will be on our way to Camp Merrowvista. And what a great time is in store for all of us! You old timers know what I mean and you new campers will soon know, too!

HAVE YOU



Sent in your Registration Card? This is most important!

Sent your Pre-Camp Information Blank to the Founder Office?

Talked to that friend of yours about coming along to camp?

Talked to your pastor, superintendent or the leader of the youth organization to which you belong - Scouts, Campfire, Hi-Y, Girl Reserve, Church, 4-H, Future Farmers, etc. - about sending a representative to Merrowvista this year?

Tried to get a business men's club - Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, etc. - to send a top-notch Junior high school student to camp to represent your school and local community?

THREE MORE WEEKS -

THEN CAMP!

What can you do - what will you do - to line up one personally chosen young person from your community before June 25? Don't put it off. If your Founder Camp experience meant much to you, why not gladly share it with others - this year?

ATTACHED YOU WILL FIND

an extra copy of the Pre-Camp Information Blank. If you have not sent yours in - do so at once, because ALL ADVANCE CABIN ASSIGNMENTS are made from these blanks! So, if you want to get your assignment immediately upon arrival at camp, fill out and mail your blank at once! THE EXTRA BLANK is for that "last minute" camper you are going to sign up.

A GREAT YEAR IN CAMP!

Yes, it certainly will be! Practically all the old leaders are coming back, and some new ones, too. Representing the Founder Office will be O.W. Warmingham, "Kodaya" - R.A. Waite, "Dad" - Charles Hoffman - and P.G. Orwig, "Wadjepi". Lyn Beardslee will co-direct with Wadjepi, and W.P. Buckwalter, "Buck", will serve as business manager in all the camps at Merrowvista.

AND HERE ARE SOME

of the other leaders who will be on hand. Herb Schulze will of course be with us in both camps. On the leadership staff for the Girls Camp will be Capt Adams, Anne Collins, Ella May Collins, Marjory Fort, Eleanor Marker, Rosabel Steinhauer, Eleanor Weston, Mrs. Blair, Alcy Hitchner, Ruth Filbin, Rosemary Mueller, Dorothy Stryker and Elizabeth Walstrom. The Older Boy leaders will include Tom Bridges, Dave Green, Charles Burrill, Jim Moffat, David Robertson and Lawrence Goss. Al Gremse and Neil Buie are hoping to be among those present.



A MESSAGE FROM HORACE



The Merrowvista Younger Girls Camp is to have a real set-up this summer! Buddy Woltman will again direct the camp and Mrs. Blair, Eleanor "Tommie" Weston and others will make up the leadership staff.

I want to thank those of you who have sent us the names of prospects. Several new registrations have resulted. We who believe in the Founder brand of camping know that you have introduced these little girls to about the happiest and most worthwhile four weeks they've ever experienced.

Dates of the camp are JULY 24 to AUGUST 20. I am hoping to hear from more of you saying you've a fine little girl or two, of eleven to sixteen years of age, whom you want to bring into the Merrowvista family. Thanks for any help you can give us in building up this newest of our Founder Camping Units.

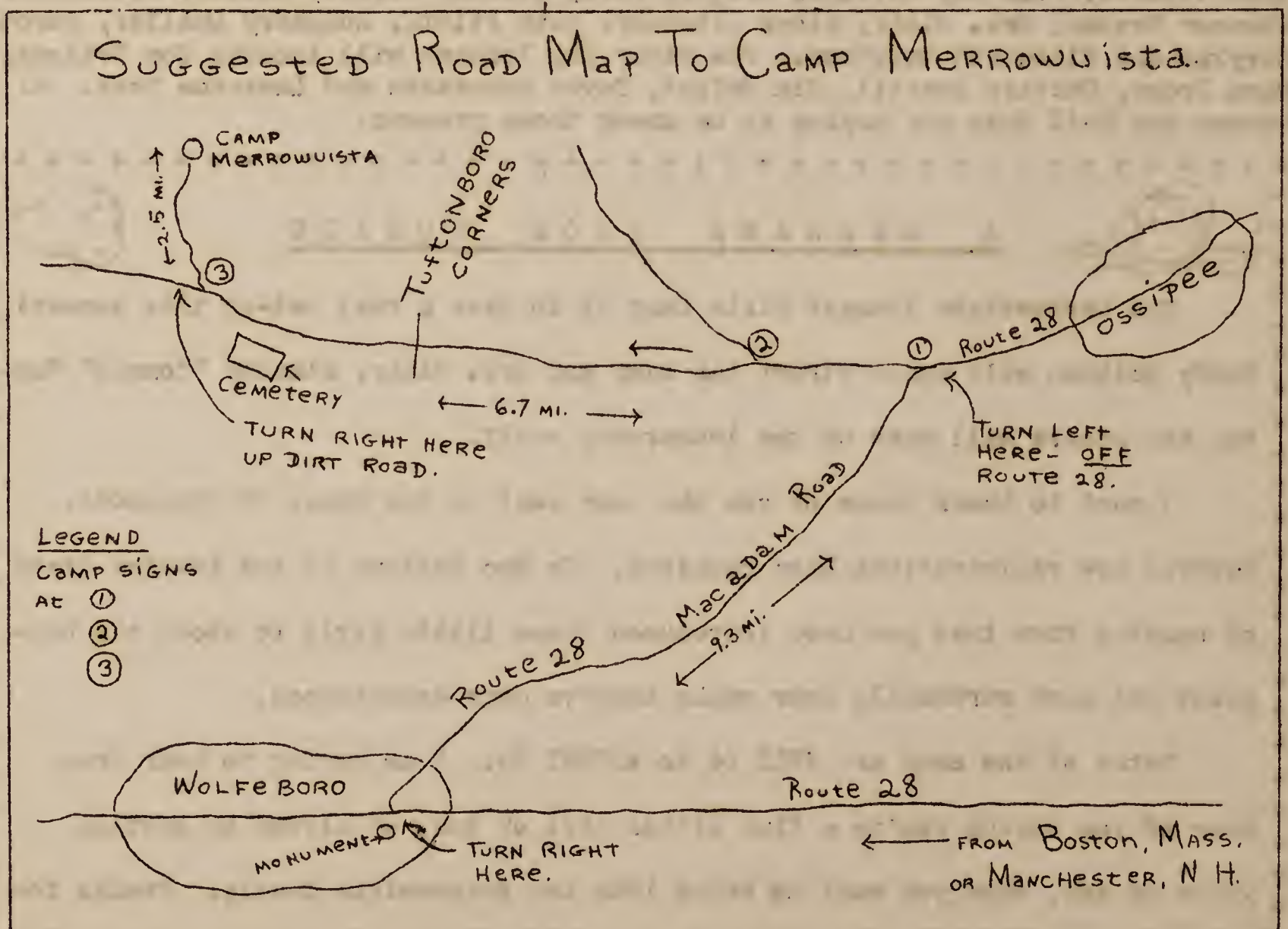
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THE PART YOU PLAY

Remember, we are all partners and "members of the family" at Camp Merrowvista. These camps are not conducted for the benefit of any person or organization. YOU, the camper, are the center of all our camping and training efforts. We are interested in you, as a person. We want to help you develop your inherent qualities of leadership. We want to assist you in thinking through some of your personal problems. We are eager to help you plan your life program wisely and constructively. We want you to learn how to live life at its best. That is what Merrowvista is for, and that alone. Do you wonder that everyone who comes to camp is so tremendously enthusiastic about it? So - come to camp prepared to give your best. Expect much in return, and you will not be disappointed.

HERE ARE YOUR INSTRUCTIONS

for getting to camp. Read the following material carefully and take this copy of The Founder Fire with you to camp, especially if you are driving. Be sure to follow these directions for driving into camp. The map given below shows the best route to follow.



AFTER JUNE 15 ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS PERTAINING TO MERROWVISTA TO
CAMP MERROWVISTA, CENTER OSSIPEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

ALL CAMPERS AND LEADERS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN CAMP AT STARTING TIME

Boys' Camp opens Sunday, June 25

Girls' Camp opens Sunday, July 9

The first official session of the camp is held at 5:30 PM on the opening day of camp. Do not plan to come before the above dates, unless unavoidable circumstances make it necessary to do so. Meals will be served at nominal cost to those who must arrive early.

DRIVING TO CAMP

We are planning to close the road between Center Ossipee and Camp Merrowvista, and will hereafter make the road between Tuftonboro and Danhole Pond our official entrance to Camp Merrowvista.

Make Tuftonboro your general objective point. If you come from points south, you will probably use Highway #28. If you route through Wolfeboro, follow Highway #28 for 9.3 miles to a point where the road to Tuftonboro takes a sharp left turn. Then follow through to Tuftonboro and look for Camp Merrowvista sign leading from the highway to camp. By following the directions given on the map and watching your mileage carefully between points, you will be sure to make connections without any trouble, even though you should miss the camp signs.

TRAVELING BY TRAIN OR BUS

Campers traveling all the way by train or bus are given permission to arrive in camp on Saturday afternoon preceding the opening date of camp, there being no Sunday trains to Mountain View. Campers will be cared for overnight at no additional charge, but a nominal rate of sixty cents will be made for the two additional meals.

If you are coming by way of Boston, take Boston & Maine train or bus from North Station to Mountain View, New Hampshire. Inquire about the advantage of purchasing a round-trip ticket. There may be a Summer Tourist Rate. There will be auto connections from Mountain View to camp. The train schedule at the time of the release of this issue of The Founder Fire is:

Leave Boston, 12:15 PM (Eastern Standard Time) - Saturday only
Arrive Mountain View, 3:27 PM (Eastern Standard Time)

Be sure to check at railroad ticket office for possible change in schedules. (Note - all train and bus schedules are Eastern Standard Time which is one hour slower than Daylight Saving Time.)

I M P O R T A N T - Campers planning to arrive on Saturday train are required to notify Camp Director (at Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, New Hampshire) in order that transportation may be provided from railroad station to camp, a distance of six miles.

THIS POSITIVELY APPLIES ONLY TO THOSE TRAVELING TO MOUNTAIN VIEW, N.H. BY TRAIN

WHAT TO TAKE TO CAMP

Wool bathing suit or trunks (2 if you have them)	Books of 1¢ and 3¢ postage stamps
Pajamas	Flashlight
Raincoat, cape, or poncho	Fountain pen and pencils
Heavy sweater or jacket	Pocket knife
Tennis shoes and oxfords	Bible
Old pair shoes to wear to swimming dock	Musical instrument (if you wish)
Bathrobe	Tennis racquet
Socks or stockings	Kodak (if desired)
Handkerchiefs and bandanas	Comic or other costume (if you have it)
Scap and container	Needle, thread and pins
Lotion, cold cream, mosquito dope	Wrapping paper and twine if you will be mailing bundles home.
Toothbrush, container and toothpaste	

SPECIAL LIST FOR GIRLS

Bathing cap & shoes (red cap if non-swimmer)
Outing shirts or blouses
Slacks, shorts or knickers (one pair wool)
Practical underwear

SPECIAL LIST FOR BOYS

Shirts
Old trousers or overalls
Underwear
Gym suits

IMPORTANT - Mark your name on all your clothes and equipment.

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WHAT TO MAIL TO CAMP TWO WEEKS BEFORE STARTING ON YOUR TRIP

3 <u>warm</u> blankets	Bath towels, face towels, wash cloths
Change of sheets - cot size	Sweaters or shoes that you may not wish to carry
Change of pillow slips	

MAIL - insured Parcel Post, addressed to yourself.

CAMP MINIWANCA,
Shelby, Michigan

OR

CAMP MERROWVISTA,
Center Ossipee, N.H.

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1. Be sure to send mail in plenty of time to reach camp before your arrival. Wrap carefully. Duffel bags, strong corrugated boxes, etc., good for mailing.
2. Films, notebooks and paper, camp stationery, camp postcards and stamps may be purchased at the camp store. If you bring your own notebook, bring ample supply of paper to fit. Sheets should be not smaller than 5" x 8".
3. Do not have candy or food mailed to you at camp. You will have plenty to eat at mealtime.

LEADERS LEADERS LEADERS

who are coming to camp this summer - please fill out and return the blank below -
right away! These will be used in making tent assignments, so it is important
that you mail yours promptly if you are coming to camp this year.

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Merrowvista blanks should be sent to the Founder Office if mailed by June 15,
and after that date direct to Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, New Hampshire.

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Miniwanca blanks should be sent to Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan.

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PLEASE URGE ALL CAMPERS TO MAIL AT ONCE THEIR PRE-CAMP INFORMATION BLANKS, WHICH
ARE BEING SENT WITH THEIR COPIES OF THE FOUNDER FIRE.

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(IMPORTANT! PLEASE FILL THIS IN CAREFULLY FOR PERMANENT RECORD FILE)

LEADERS' SCHOOL AND VOCATIONAL BLANK

The American Youth Foundation

Older Boys' & Girls' Camp-Conferences

Name _____
(Last) (First)

Home Address _____
(Street) (City) (State)

Business _____
(Name of Firm) (Location) (Your position)

School will
attend in Fall _____
(Name) (Location)

Check year next Fall: Freshman () Sophomore () Junior () Senior ()

Your RESIDENCE address at school _____

Church you attend _____ Denomination _____

Who interested you in coming to a Founder Camp? _____

State years in Camp: As Senior Camper _____ As Senior Camp Leader _____

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